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Country: Germany/Russian Zone

Subject: Klatenke Airfield in the Russian Zone; Partial
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1. Airfield

The airfield has an asphalt and concrete runway which is 1200 meters long and 400 meters wide. The remainder of the field is soft and of sand and gravel construction. The total length of the field is about 3,000 meters; the width varies from 300 to 1200 meters. No details are available on the night illumination system. However, red warning lights were observed on water towers 1 and 2 (see attached sketch), on the roof of the Inn (1), and on the town hall (4).

2. Aircraft

On 28 August 1946, fifteen slow flying, single-engine Soviet bi-planes used for training purposes were observed on the field. Five other planes were in the air. In addition, six ME 109's, one JU 88, and three YAK's were seen on the field.

3. Miscellaneous

The biplanes are seen daily towing targets over Dresden and particularly over Klatenke.

4. Baracks

The former Luftwaffe barracks are currently occupied by unidentified Soviet units.

5. Gasoline, Oil and Ammunition Dump

The exact location of the dump is unidentified but it is known to be situated about three km SE of the field along the Dresden-Görlitz highway. It is estimated that there are ten ammunition bunkers in the area.

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